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First Cold Snap Of The Season Strikes In Blizzard-like Fashion; Snow And Drifts Hinder Travel

A surprise snow storm arrived here and throughout New England on the afternoon of Thanksgiving Day, followed at night by high winds, causing many drifts of from two to three feet deep and hampering travel on the many roads.

At night the thermometer dropped and cold continued through Friday to temperatures below zero the rule everywhere.

Transportation was hindered and many who had spent the holiday with relatives or friends were unable to return home until the storm had ceased.

The main highways of the state were kept open, but most of the side roads were dangerous to drive over. The plows in this town were ordered out and crews worked night and day but it was not until Sunday that all roads were opened. One of the two plows used by the Northfield street department broke down and in the emergency a new plow has been ordered.

The cold spell is said to be the most severe for forty years and already as much snow has fallen as in the whole of last winter. A snow squall on Saturday evening last and Sunday brought more snow and householders were out once more with the shovel or else hugging the fires at home.

So sudden was the arrival of the wintry weather that many were caught unprepared for supplies of food, as well as fuel. Deliveries were made by local dealers on Sunday to relieve the situation. Garages did a thriving business with cars stalled on the roads, frozen radiators and mechanical difficulties.

About fourteen inches of snow fell during the blizzard weather, but drifts were three and four feet high hereabouts. Unusually cold weather has prevailed although temperatures have risen somewhat since Tuesday.

Mrs. L. W. Hayward

In the Philadelphia Public Ledger of Saturday, Nov. 26, is announced the death of Mrs. Lillian Woolson Hayward, widow of the late Harry Hayward, which took place on that day at her home in Devon at the age of 70 years. She had been ill for several weeks with a heart ailment. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Charles Chapman Smith and one sister Miss Clara B. Woolson. The funeral service was held Monday and burial was in the family plot in the cemetery at Lockport on Tuesday.

Mr. Hayward who died in 1932 was an authority on agriculture and was in charge of the Agriculture department of N. W. Ayers & Sons advertising agency of which the late Wilfred W. Fry was the head. Mr. Hayward had organized the agricultural course at Mt. Hermon and was responsible for the beginnings of the fine herd of Holstein cattle. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hayward were well known in this town and Mt. Hermon where they had many friends.

Office Closed

Dr. Harriet L. Hardy, who is the physician of the Northfield schools, and has an office at 204 Main street, announces that her office will be closed until Jan. 1. She has gone away for a much-needed rest and vacation.

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College Presidents Have Visited Here

On Sunday, Nov. 6, the students of the Seminary were privileged to hear in the morning service at Sage chapel, Miss Mildred McAfee, president of Wellesley college.



Miss Mildred McAfee

Last Sunday the students of Mount Hermon school were privileged to hear Dr. George B. Cullen, president of Colgate university in two addresses, delivered at both the morning service and the afternoon vespers at Memorial chapel.



Dr. George B. Cullen

The students appreciated the visit of the two college presidents and listened attentively to their talks. It is expected that the schools will be further favored by the visits of representatives of other colleges and institutions of learning.

Northfield Schools' Sunday Speakers

Rev. A. Graham Baldwin, chaplain of Phillips-Andover academy, will be the speaker at both the 10:30 a. m. and 5 p. m. services in Mt. Hermon Memorial chapel on Sunday.

The Northfield Seminary church will observe its fifth anniversary, Sunday, with Chaplain Harold B. Ingalls officiating at the morning service. The worship department of the church will conduct a communion service during vespers.

Roberts - Fuller

The marriage of Miss Harriet Louise Fuller of Bristol, Ct., and William Currie Roberts, of Syracuse, N. Y., took place at New Haven, Ct., on Thursday, Nov. 24. They will be at home in Bristol, Ct., after Dec. 15. Mr. Roberts was formerly a resident of East Northfield and was connected with the Northfield schools in its business department.

Vienna Choir Boys Gave Fine Concert In Unusual Program

The Vienna Choir Boys, "Wiener Saengerknaben" under the personal direction of Victor Gombos, as conductor, gave a most unusual and pleasing program in the Auditorium of the Northfield Seminary last Saturday evening. There were twenty boys in the company and in the afternoon they arrived at the Northfield hotel, coming in their own special bus from Albany, N. Y.

The program was divided into three parts, the first and second having favorite selections from the great composers. The rendition was excellent and the striking high tones of the sopranos was most noticeable. The boys sang remarkably well and captivated their audience from the start. In part three, the boys produced an operetta, which for production, was much appreciated. Some of the boys took the girls' parts and the characters were well made up and assumed.

It's been a long time since Northfield has enjoyed so well, this particular form of concert and expressions are heard everywhere that they may again return to this community.

The organization was founded by the Emperor Maximilian I in 1498 solely to provide appropriate music for the Imperial Austrian chapel. Until 1918 the choir flourished only at home and under the patronage of the Hapsburgs. When the World War turned Austria into a republic, the royalist choir survived as a private enterprise before it was taken over by the reorganized Viennese government. No longer bound to the House of Hapsburg the boy choristers began the series of tours which have made them world-famous. Since 1932 the group has made annual tours in America and have been heard in various parts of the country.

Dunn In New York; Meets Hermon Club

Frank E. Dunn, alumni secretary of Mount Hermon school, was in New York City this week to meet with members of the New York-Hermon club and also for a meeting of the Living Endowment Commission. He attended the regular Wednesday luncheon of the Hermon club at the Seamen's Church institute, and in the evening the officers of the New York Alumni group and a number of its members met with him at the Hotel Commodore to reorganize the club. Arthur G. H. Power of Bloomfield, N. J., is president of the group.

The D. L. Moody Living Endowment commission met at the Harvard club Thursday night to discuss financing plans of the Mount Hermon Alumni association. Ernest A. Yarrow of Haddam, Ct., is chairman of the commission.

New Book Issued

A new book has just come from the press which has more than a passing interest. Entitled "Grandma Called It Carnel," it is written by Mrs. Bertha Clark Damon. Mrs. Damon wrote the words of the song, "Northfield Beautiful," known by all our residents and every student of Northfield Seminary. She attended the Seminary and was graduated in the class of 1901. During her schooling here, she resided at Marquand. She has many friends and acquaintances here. The book is on the counter at the Bookstore, which displays her autographed photo.

Xmas Checks Soon

According to reports, Christmas club checks, will soon be received by many in this town. The Greenfield Savings bank announces that they will distribute \$44,059 to 1285 club members and the First National Bank & Trust company will distribute \$27,844 to 741 members. As yet no figures are available from the Brattleboro or other banks.

Northfield Children Hoping Club Will Not Donate Castor Oil

NORTHFIELD, Nov. 26—Boys and girls of this town are not cheering this week, but may eventually be thankful should they not have to be housed this winter for lack of vitamins, for the Fortnightly Club has donated to District Nurse Euphrasia Partridge several gallons of cod liver oil for administration to the youngsters. This is evidently not going to be administered in small quantities, for the nurse has issued an appeal for large screw-top bottles to be filled with oil and distributed to families where she believes the oil may prove beneficial. The children are hoping that the club will not donate castor oil next year.

—From the Boston Globe, November 27

Preparatory School Christian Conference Meeting At Hotel

The National Preparatory School mid-year religious conference will convene at the Northfield hotel this Friday evening for its annual week-end sessions. One hundred students and faculty, representing a score of well-known boys' private schools in New England and the East, will attend the meetings, the general subject of which will be based on personal problems.

The Rev. John M. Currie, pastor of the Hollis Presbyterian church of New York City will be the principal speaker. His subject at the opening on Friday will be "Why Be A Christian?" This theme will, later in the conference, be discussed in its various aspects in small groups. John M. Mulligan, a former secretary in this work, will be present to lead the devotions.

G. Murray Branch, former chairman of the National Council of Student Christian associations, will participate in the discussions. Other leaders listed on the program are Frank Broderick of Andover, Sam Brown of Hopkins Grammar, Frank Board of Williston, George Peabody of Groton, and David Scott.

SOUTH CHURCH

Sunday, 9:45, church school; 10:45, church worship. A messenger of goodwill from the Universalist church, Rev. Charles H. Emmons, will preach.

The regular Alliance meeting will be held next Thursday at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. J. M. Whitmore. Miss Elizabeth Lloyd of New York City will give a significant story in religion, a personal experience. This talk by Miss Lloyd will take the place of the program scheduled in the year's study.

TRINITARIAN CHURCH

Sunday school, 10; preaching service, 11, when the choir will sing special numbers; sermon subject, "Trumpet and Sword." At 2:30, at the Farms, Sunday school, followed by worship service; a service at the Barber District schoolhouse for all ages; at 7, C. E. consecration service; 8, preaching service at the vestry.

Tuesday at 3, Mrs. L. R. Smith Bible class with Mrs. Colton; Mrs. Giebel, leader.

Wednesday at 3, Women's Missionary society meets with Mrs. Allen H. Wright; leader, Mrs. H. H. Morse.

Thursday, 7:30, weekly prayer service at the vestry, followed by choir rehearsal.

Local Roll Call Of The Red Cross Passes Its Quota

The goal of \$500 fixed for the town's contribution to the Red Cross in the roll call which has just ended, has been passed by a substantial sum and next week the chairman of the local committee, Arthur P. Pitt, will issue a final statement of its success.

The members of the committee have done their work well and from the local citizens there has come over \$300 while the Northfield Seminary has contributed over \$230.

Several of our folks down in the sunny south have responded to the appeal: Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Coburn at Orlando, Fla., with \$2; Mrs. Jennie and Miss Margaret Foreman at Portsmouth, Va., with \$2; and Mrs. William R. Moody in Georgia, with \$5. The Red Cross through Mr. Pitt will make a final statement next week of the results accomplished here.

It is already evident, however, that the contributions and memberships from Northfield this season will set a high mark for all campaigns.

The Christmas Seals

By this time many of our citizens have received the sheet of the Christmas seals. There are 100 of the little stickers with four of them on the corner of the sheet bearing likenesses of Messrs Koch, Laenne, Trudeau and Holboll, all of whom had a part in the great work of the prevention of tuberculosis. Of particular interest is that the design of the stamp was by Lloyd Coe, son of Rev. and Mrs. Henry D. Coe of Amherst.

The work of the Franklin County Health association will be aided in the sale of these stamps and it is hoped that our people will respond promptly and liberally to the use of the stamp.

Arlon R. Minor

Arlon R. Minor, age 56, of Springfield, died at his home there last Sunday. He was in charge of the street department of Indian Orchard for several years. He had been ill for some time. He was born in Guilford and attended Mt. Hermon school and is a brother of Alton Minor of this town. He is survived by his wife, Pearl (Stearns) Minor, five sons and six daughters. Also his brother here and a sister in Florida. Relatives here include nephews and nieces.

Harold Briesmaster was home for the holiday vacation.

Foreign Policy Season Opens In Greenfield This Friday Evening

Dr. David R. Porter, headmaster of Mt. Hermon school, who is chairman of the County Foreign Policy association, announces that the first meeting of the membership will be held this Friday evening at the Mansion House in Greenfield. Dinner will be served at 6:15 o'clock and the program will begin at 7 o'clock.

Two speakers will be presented: Raymond Leslie Buell, research director of the association and William A. Orton, Smith college professor of economics.

The initial program is to have the form of a public discussion of the question, "Where are the democracies going?" with Mr. Buell, who has returned recently from Germany and England, expected to sound the keynote for the open forum to follow his address. According to advance reports, Mr. Buell disapproves of the Munich pact made by Chamberlain, while Prof. Orton is said to be a hearty supporter of the British policy.

Others who will take part in the discussion are Miss Mira B. Wilson, principal of Northfield seminary, and William G. Avirett, of the Deerfield academy faculty, a student of current history. The meeting is open to the public.

A Double Wedding

Thanksgiving Day witnessed a double wedding in West Northfield when sister and brother married brother and sister. Evelyn Mary Strange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strange of West Northfield was married to Robert John Carey of South Newfane and Lucy Erline Carey was married to Robert R. Strange, Jr., in a double ring ceremony at the Strange home by Rev. W. Stanley Carne at the noon hour. Mrs. Ralph Holton was the attendant for both couples. Many friends and relatives were in attendance.

Boxes To Crossnore

The annual shipment, by local friends, was sent last week to Crossnore school in Crossnore, N. C. There were five large cartons containing clothing of various kinds, shoes, toys and other articles, all of which will find a ready and appreciable use in the mountainous section of the western part of that state. Thanks are due to all those who so willingly contributed to the filling of these boxes. This is the seventh year shipments have gone from Northfield.

Schools Contribute Fine Understanding Internationally

In the field of International friendship the schools and colleges of the United States are playing a major role. The lists of students in any of our important colleges show that many young people from countries the world over are enrolled this year. Among secondary schools, the Northfield schools are without doubt the outstanding institutions encouraging such international amity. This year there are 1103 boys and girls, 28 of them foreign students, registered at Northfield Seminary and Mount Hermon.

Northfield Seminary began its 60th academic year on November 3. On that date in 1879, the first 25 students enrolled at the farm home of the founder, Dwight L. Moody, where they lived together, helped with the housework and recited their lessons in the family dining room. Two years later the corresponding school for boys, Mount Hermon, was established four miles from the Seminary. Today the alumni rolls of the two schools list the names of 27,503 men and women.

During the last five years, students have come to Northfield from every state and territorial possession of the United States as well as from 26 different countries, to receive their secondary education preparatory to entering leading universities and colleges in this country.

The international phase of undergraduate life in these two schools is reflected in the business and professional lives of the graduates. At the present time there are 453 graduates of the Northfield schools living in 34 foreign countries. Among them are the presidents of three foreign universities, business men representing American banking and industry, medical missionaries, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. secretaries, representatives of the consular service, and professors and instructors in foreign schools.

Three of the present foreign students attending the Northfield schools are from South India. One of these, Anna Kumari Paul, is the daughter of Mahatma Ghandi's associate, the well-known "Paul of India." After one year at Northfield, Miss Paul will study for two years at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama and two years at Oberlin in Ohio. The selection of colleges has been made in order to give this student a well-rounded experience in schools of mixed and single racial groups.

Ordinarily the secondary schools in the United States are not regarded as potential sources for the promotion of international goodwill, but the Northfield schools have been outstanding in this field for six decades.

Local Women Chosen Officers of Y.W.C.A.

At the annual meeting of the District Y. W. C. A. of Western Massachusetts, held at the home of Mrs. Helen Belknap in Old Deerfield recently, the annual election of officers for the ensuing year was held, with the following result: Mrs. Cora E. Heyward of Charlemont; vice-president, Mrs. F. S. Chapman of Shelburne Falls; record secretary, Mrs. E. L. Miller of Greenfield; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Foster of Northfield; and treasurer, Mrs. Louis Smith of Mt. Hermon.

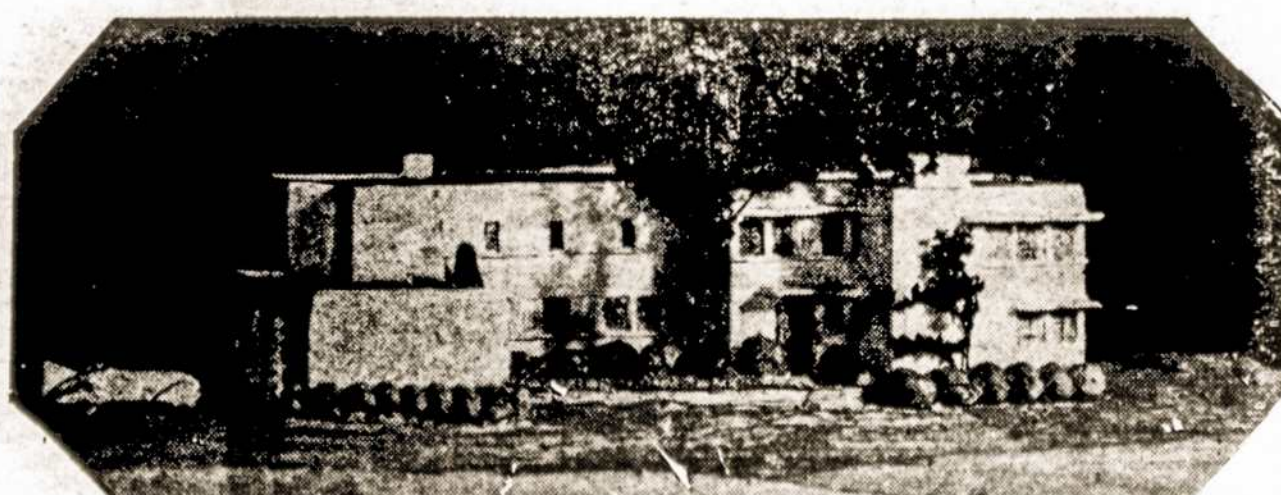
Because of the inability of the association to maintain a full time secretary this year, it was voted to concentrate the work in Franklin county for the present as the majority of the active groups are located in this region and more voluntary workers are available for constructive participation in the program.

Springfield Orchestra

Northfield music lovers will be interested in the appearance of the Springfield Civic orchestra at Greenfield for two concerts on Friday afternoon and evening, Dec. 9. The concerts will be at four o'clock in the afternoon and at eight in the evening, in the high school auditorium.

Chimney Fires

The Northfield fire department was called out to answer alarms for three fires last week-end. They were chimney fires at the homes of Lawrence Saczawa on Meadow street and at Cliff Bolton's home in West Northfield on Saturday. On Sunday for a chimney fire at the home of Mr. Sprague on the Northfield Farms road near Sunset Inn.



The beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Towner at Vernon, which will be opened for the postponed plant, food and gift sale, on this Saturday afternoon, Dec. 3rd, from 2 to 6 o'clock, for the benefit of the Vernon Union church, of which the Rev. Ellis E. Jones is the pastor. Tea will be served to those attending at a cost of 35 cents. The affair is in charge of a large committee of women, connected with the church.

The Northfield Health council will meet next Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the district nurse's room in the town hall. It is urged that all members be present.

Mrs. Mary Spencer of Pine St., spent Thanksgiving Day with her son, Albert, and wife at Bellows Falls, Vt.

Miss Mary S. Spencer of Concord, N. H. and Miss Bessie Spencer of Claremont, N. H., spent the week-end at their home here.

Twin daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Piper of Greenfield last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Piper of this town are the happy grandparents.

Mrs. Clara M. Buck has left town after closing the homestead and will be at her home in Brooklyn for the winter.

Miss Ruth Grace Dietrich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Dietrich of Pompton Plains, N. J., was married Saturday, Nov. 26, to John Irgen Anderson of

Midvale, N. J. The bride is a graduate of Northfield Seminary and the Trenton State Teachers' college.

Miss Virginia Powell spent Thanksgiving with her parents here and on Friday went to New York to spend the week-end with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Packard.

Miss Anna Dale of the local telephone exchange, who has been in the Baptist hospital in Boston for the past seven weeks is reported as making some gains.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Schmadeke of Thompsonville, Ct., spent the holiday here at the hotel greeting their many friends.

It is reported that Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Pattison will spend the winter in San Francisco, Cal., where he will preach in a church of that city.

Mrs. William R. Moody writes that she is enjoying her visit with her daughter, Mrs. C. Tom Mal-

bon at North Augusta, Ga. She is feeling very well and having a restful visit. She expects to spend the Christmas tide at Aiken, N. C.

Miss Pauline Moor who is connected with the Hale Settlement House in Boston spent Thanksgiving with her mother here.

Mrs. W. Stanley Carne who has been at the hospital in Brattleboro has returned home and is slowly improving.

Auto Plates Ready

As the new year approaches, the 1939 auto registration plates become ready for distribution and may now be secured at the registry office in Greenfield. They are numbered from 160,000 - 170,000. The plates are the same as this year except that the background will be green instead of maroon. Numbers and letters will be in white as usual. There are no decorations and the bottom of the plate will bear in small type, "Mass." on the left corner and "39" in the right hand corner.

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Mrs. Alice B. Askren, of Ann Arbor, Mich., a former resident of this town for many years, and who has been quite ill recently, is reported as much improved in health.

The condition of Mrs. Monroe Smith, who was injured recently in an automobile accident near Holland, Mich., and who is now in the hospital at Battle Creek, is reported as being slightly improved. Mr. Smith who has cancelled his tour in the west, is remaining at Battle Creek with his wife.

Miss Adelaide Hood of Greenfield will speak of her work in the county at the meeting of the Evening Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. L. A. Polhemus this Friday evening.

The choir of the Congregational church will give a sacred concert under the direction of Prof. I. J. Lawrence at the Congregational church in West Brattleboro next Sunday evening.

Portable sawing outfits with their crews are to be seen now about various parts of the town as residents are having their fallen timber cut up into firewood. There will be a plentiful supply for the next year or two.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barnes of Greenfield at the Franklin County hospital, last Friday, Nov. 25. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes of West Northfield.

Lloyd and Margaret Carne entertained a group of some twenty young people at their home on Birnam road Thanksgiving eve.



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YELLOW PAGES

William Freeman, who is teaching at the Choate school in Wallingford, Ct., spent the Thanksgiving holiday with his mother, Mrs. Anna Freeman, and sisters at their home on Main street.

Evan Potts of Colby college was at his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Potts, of Main street.

Mrs. Joseph R. Colton is visiting her mother, Mrs. Julia Starr in Uncasville, Ct.

Miss Jean Giebel of Springfield, accompanied by a friend, Miss Caroline McCulley, spent the holiday at her home with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Giebel. Both are engaged in library work.

Lucky O. Clapp has been spending a few days with his son, Raymond L. Clapp and family at Weston.

Thomas Parker, Jr., who is studying at Fort Dummer academy spent the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker.

The Fortnightly will meet this Friday afternoon at three o'clock at Alexander hall. Miss Eva Freeman will speak of her travels in England. The hostesses are Mrs. C. C. Stearns, Mrs. T. H. Parker and Mrs. Charles Streeter.

A performance of "Tannhauser" will be given in the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City on Jan. 18 in the afternoon for the benefit of the work of Sir Wilfred Grenfell in Labrador, in which many of our local citizens are interested.

At the Youth Hostel headquarters, the repairs are being completed to the building which was badly damaged in the hurricane by falling trees.

THE FIRE ENGINE

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The library books of the late Henry W. Rankin, who at one time was active in the work of the Northfield schools, have been divided between the Talcott library at the Seminary and the Schaffler library at Hermon.

Sunset Inn at Northfield Farms entertained a record number of guests for Thanksgiving Day. Nearly a hundred enjoyed the fine dinner prepared by Mrs. Charles E. Leach, the hostess.

A deed was filed in the registry last week transferring property on Maple street, Northfield, from Fay C. and Evelyn A. Lyman to Lawrence D. and Edna Quinlan, all of this town.

The woodlands and forests of the state were re-opened for hunting and fishing last week by Gov. Hurley, but it is said that not many hunters have been seen in this vicinity. The fallen timber has proven a handicap to hunters getting through the woods.

At the installation held last week at Harmony Lodge of Masons, Willis K. Parker, the retiring master, was presented with a Past Master's jewel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Britton entertained relatives from Greenfield and Springfield at a dinner in their home, Thanksgiving Day.

The annual corporate communion for men and boys of St. James Episcopal church of Greenfield was held last Sunday, the first Sunday in Advent, at 8 o'clock.

Friends who desire to reach Miss Emma A. Halthorn by mail, should address her at the Mira Mar Hotel, Sarasota, Fla., where she has registered for the winter.

Political candidates for office in the recent election and all political committees must make final returns of expenditures not later than Dec. 8.

Principal of the high school, Richard Cobb and Mrs. Cobb spent Thanksgiving with relatives at Gardiner, Me. Miss Evelyn Lawley was at her home in Florence and Miss Flora Tait was at her home in Southbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Frary of Highland avenue, spent the Thanksgiving holiday with relatives in Hardwick.

The 200 young men from the Pittsfield CCC camp have arrived in Warwick and taken over the former transient camp. With the members of the 1153 Northfield camp, they will assist in removing the fire hazards in this district.

A daughter, Martha Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Bigelow of Maple street, at the Franklin County hospital, Sunday, Nov. 27.

Mrs. George L. Goodrich of Ocean Grove, N. J., was a guest at the Northfield hotel this week. She with her late husband, were among the early summer residents of Rustic Ridge.

As we go to press, we learn that the Vermont People's National Bank of Brattleboro will pay out nearly \$29,000 in Christmas club checks, and that the Brattleboro Trust company will pay out nearly \$19,000.

Mrs. Bessie E. Symonds is visiting her daughter, Helen, and husband in Worcester, but will leave the last of December to spend the winter in Orlando, Fla.

Miss Helen Wozniak spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wozniak at their home in West Northfield. She is attending the State Teachers' college at Framingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Darby and two children of Uncasville, Ct., formerly of this town spent the Thanksgiving holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Holton at their home in West Northfield.

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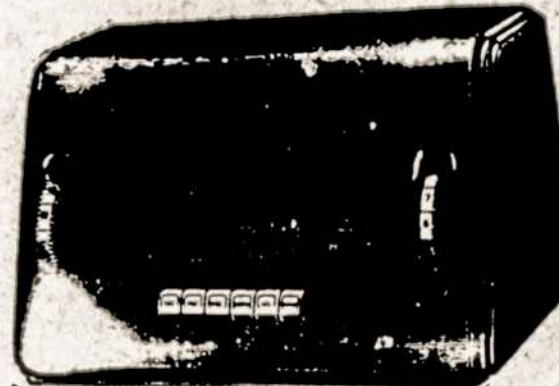
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LOCALS

"Angels with Dirty Faces" a sensational melodrama of the slum districts, co-starring the famous team of James Cagney and Pat O'Brien and featuring the "Dead End" kids, Humphrey Bogart, Ann Sheridan and George Bancroft, will be the feature attraction at the Lathis Memorial Theatre, Brattleboro, Vt., starting Saturday and continuing through Tuesday of next week.

Miss Gwendolyn Wood, granddaughter of Mrs. N. P. Wood, who has been seriously ill at the Huntington (California) Memorial hospital, is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wood in El Monte Cal., and is quite fully recovered.

Prof. Gage writes and says, "in the same mail that brought the 'Press' last week, came two orders for Christmas bushels (oranges). Folks must read the 'Press'."

And Christmas only three weeks away.

Miles Morgan is getting his new house under cover for the winter.

The town street department has purchased an International truck and snow plow.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hyde have moved into their new home on North Lane on Wednesday of this week.

Rev. C. C. and Mrs. Conner will have as a week-end guest in their home, the Rev. Charles H. Emmons of Boston. Mr. Emmons is vice-president of the Universalist general convention.

He (on phone)—Hello, what are you doing,
Feminine Voice—Getting ready for church.
He—Sorry, wrong number.

LEAVES

(The Wall of a Sexton)
I think that I shall never bear
A thing so grating to my ear,
As when some person (if you please)
Gets up and sings the song called
"Trees."

It makes me want to swear. And I
Will tell you just the reason why.
You see I'm sexton of a church
That's fringed around with larch
and birch,
And oak and fir and maple trees;
And once each year they shed
their leaves.
So when Autumn comes around
These leaves are strewn all over
the ground.

I sally forth and rake and rake,
And verily my back doth ache.
But though it aches, it matters
not,
For scarcely have I cleaned the
lot
When down from off the neigh-
boring trees
Come myriads of these peaky
leaves.

The wind comes up, they swirl
around.
Once more they're strewn all over
the ground.
I look around and then burst
forth
Into a blast of awful wrath,
And then—I'll cuss—forgive me
please,
For you would cuss if you raked
leaves.

I've never known a poet, so
I've often wondered how they
know
Or how in Heaven's name they
see
Such hidden beauty in a tree.
Leaves are raked by fools like
me;
Wiser men would—burn the tree.
—Samuel Adamson
Sexton, St. Paul's, Holyoke
from "Pastoral Staff"

SOUTH VERNON

The body of Mrs. Flora Miller, 29, of Guilford, Vt., was brought to Vernon last week and buried in Tyler cemetery. Her husband is a nephew of Mrs. Jennie Fairman, of Vernon. She was the mother of the child who was drowned in Guilford last September.

Mrs. Dora Harmon plans to leave this week to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. George Gassett, in Putney.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Scherlin and family spent the holiday with her mother, Mrs. Clara Pratt. It was their 17th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Eva Smart spent Thanksgiving with her brother, Harry Gates, in Orange.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bolton spent Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Bolton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Doolittle on the Ashuelot road, East Northfield.

Miss Eleanor Bruce spent last week-end at her home here. She had as her guest, Miss Dorothy Gates of Brattleboro.

Ernest W. Dunklee of South Vernon was chosen as Master of Windham County-Pomona Grange at its recent annual election.

A group of CCC men from the Savoy camp are working in clearing up the fallen timber and brush along the highways in West Northfield.



LOCALS

Mail has delayed important items for this week's "Press." Additional South Vernon items are included.

Mrs. William F. McRoberts of Brooklyn, a well known summer resident will spend the winter at New Smyrna, Fla.

The local basketball team played the Montague team last night.

Work on the Wanamaker road has been delayed owing to the weather. The machinery has arrived and is parked along the highway.

The Northfield "Press" is prepared to do all kinds of printing. Call phone 166-2 and talk with Mr. Hoehn about your needs.

Mrs. Charles Warner is making substantial repairs to her home on Main street.

The Chateau of the Northfield hotel looms up in a slightly fashion from Main street, since many of the trees are down.

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Friday, December 2, 1938

EDITORIAL



DON'T
FORGET
TO FEED
THE
BIRDS

The weather prophets are making their predictions. Some tell us it will be a mild winter with plenty of snow, while others say it will be a real old-fashioned New England winter with plenty of cold. The Editor has observed these predictions for the past few years and has quoted some of the prophets in the columns of the "Press", but he has yet to find any prediction that literally came to pass. Perhaps one guess of the weather is as good as another, only be sure, that in this section of the country, if you predict mild weather, you are prepared for a real cold one. With or without predictions, the recent hurricane storm and the blizzard of last week, arrived without warning and we took the consequences.

Private business has some friends in Congress—one of them is Senator Bailey of North Carolina. In a talk made a short time ago he had this to say:

"Why substitute government management for business management? The average politician is in politics because he was a failure in everything else. They do not believe in a balanced budget because they never had one. They do not understand finance because they never made a dollar. Their currency is votes, not dollars, their balance sheets are election returns, not book accounts, and their stock in trade is nostrums for people afflicted with a disease known as gullibility. It is bad enough that they must run the government. Pray heaven business may escape them."

PUBLIC FORUM

The Townsend Plan
An intelligent and able gentleman, who has yet something to learn about the Townsend Plan, spoke of it as "too much like perpetual motion, which has not yet been invented."

Now the only "motion" with which the Townsend Plan is concerned is the circulation of money and that is as perpetual as the life of our country. If the author of the remark will permit let us use the word "continuous" in place of "perpetual." It now appears that we are considering the Townsend Plan as a continuous circulation of money.

That condition would seem to be highly desirable and one which we are now enjoying very imperfectly. A little consideration will show that we have all the ingredients of prosperity in abundance and all that is necessary is a wider distribution and more rapid circulation of money. Any plan that can bring that about without violence or injustice is worthy of respect and support.

In seeking justice and security for the aged Dr. Townsend discovered a way, the only way now in sight, by which money may be kept in widespread, regular and rapid circulation for the benefit of the worker and the taxpayer. The sooner the General Welfare Act is passed and the present horrible orgy of debt-making ended the better.

It is no easy task to win against the opposition of interests whose power and profit depend on keeping their fellow men in or near poverty. All workers and all who want or expect to work, young and old, and all taxpayers should join with their elders in making this plan a law. Join and support your local Townsend club.

—D. F. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Anderson, and his brother, Frank W. Anderson, left Monday to spend the winter at St. Petersburg, Fla. They made the trip by motor.

Mrs. Herbert Mark and son Curtis of Saxtons River, Vt., spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Holton.

Know Massachusetts

Compiled by
State Planning Board

Do you know that . . . Wage and hour regulations are not new. The first settlers of Springfield decreed that "All teams consisting of 4 cattell with one man, shall not take above six shillings a day wages; from May till October to work eight hours, and the other part of the year six hours for their day's work" . . . The first suitcase ever produced and sold in the United States was made in Boston . . . The first dog biscuit ever manufactured in the United States is said to have been made by a Chelsea firm . . . The oldest fish curing and smoking concern in New England is in Chelsea . . . Samuel Ayers of Worcester is said to have been the first to press a corn popper into shape from wire mesh (about 1883) . . . The New England Confectionary company plant in Cambridge is the largest of its kind in the world devoted exclusively to the production of confectionery . . . Over one million pairs of shoes for the U. S. Army were made by the George E. Keith company of Campello during the World War, with no profit to the company. . . . The Boston Gear Works, Inc., of North Quincy (established 1890) is reported to carry the largest stock of standard gears and general power transmission equipment of any concern in the world . . . Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "I tell you, Boston has opened and kept open more turnpikes that lead straight to free thought and free speech and free deeds than any other city of live men or dead men. I do not care how broad their streets are or how high their steeples."



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Richard Greene - Nancy Kelly
News - Travelog

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James Cagney - Pat O'Brien
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News - Added Specialty

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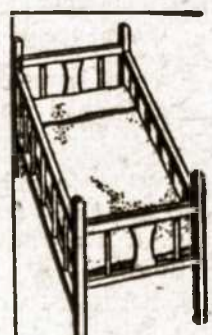
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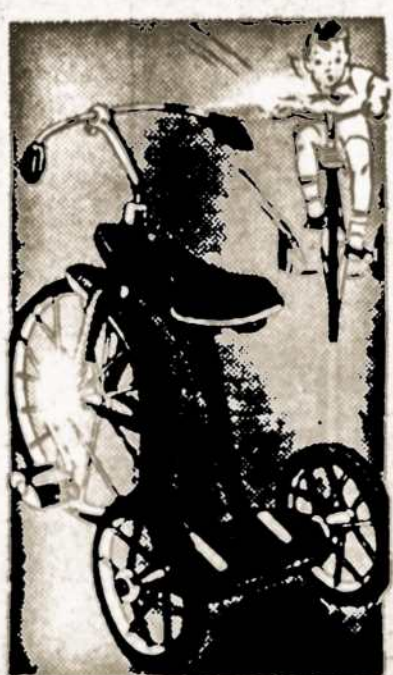
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